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are troubled by this announcement. I feel no uneasiness
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certain that we cannot be prepared too soon.

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town by a gathering of half the county. The Militia
from the region round about are to parade & fire
salutes. Much powder is to be burned & much
noise made. Mr. Tarbell, of Pepperill, is to laud
the murderous deeds of our fathers, & measure the
stereotyped falsehood of our national freedom.
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told me that she had heard a letter read, from A. A. Phelps to Dudley Phelps, telling him that the meeting would be "garrison meeting unless efforts were made to prevent it, & calling on him to rally all who were opposed to G. or the Anti-Sl. Soc. Dudley was not unmindful of the commission.

Yours A. J.

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16 June 1839